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UNDERSTANDING

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1. BELGIAN DIRGEN CIVIAL AVIATION VANDERPERREN FULLY AGREES
TO "PRIVATE" MEETING OCTOBER 20, BEGINNING IN THE MORNING.
LIKE US, HE HAS NOT INTENTION OF LETTING HIS COUNTERPARTS
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FROM OTHER ECAC COUNTRIES KNOW ABOUT THIS MEETING. WE

WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING AT EARLIEST CONVENIENCE WHO WILL BE USG PARTICIPANTS (INCLUDING THEIR HOTEL AND TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS).

2. VANDERPERREN IS OUT OF BELGIUM UNTIL OCTOBER 14. WE DISCUSSED SCHEDULE FOR FORMAL TALKS WITH HIS DEPUTY, BUYSSCHAERT, WHO CANNOT COMMIT DGCA TO DEFINITIVE SCHEDULE. NONETHELESS, BYSSCHAERT SAYS HE THINKS IT LIKELY BELGIAN GOVERNMENT WILL AGREE TO CONSULTATIONS OCTOBER 24 IF WE PLAN FOR SECOND DAY OF TALKS OCTOBER 25. WE TOLD HIM THAT USG WOULD PROBABLY AGREE READILY TO THAT SUGGESTION. WE HOPE TO CINFIRM DATES PROMPTLY ON VANDERPERREN'S RETURN. ONE NOTE OF CAUTION: VANDERPERREN HAS YET TO OBTAIN COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER CHABERT'S APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH CONSULTATIONS.

3. BUYSSCHAERT DESCRIBED ECAC DIRECTORS GENERALS MEETING HE HAD JUST ATTENDED AS "A LITTLE CONFUSED." APPARENTLY THE DISCUSSION CENTERED ON DEFINITIONS OF CHARTERWORTHINESS RULES RATHER THAN ON BILATERAL/MULTILATERAL APPROACH. ECAC CHARTERS COMMITTEE (CHARCO) REMAINED IN PARIS OCTOBER 9 TO DISCUSS OTC REGULATIONS. BUYSSCHAERT TOLD US HE WILL REPRESENT BELGIUM AT US-ECAC TALKS OCTOBER 22-23 AND AT ECAC DIRECTORS GENERALS PREPARATORY MEETING OCTOBER 21.

4. SEPTTEL TO FOLLOW DESCRIBING BELGIAN DIFFICULTIES IN PREPARING ITS POSITION FOR UPCOMING BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS, AS REQUESTED REFTTEL. FIRESTONE

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